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2012 STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

HOSTED BY:

GOLD CROWN FIELD HOUSE

150 SOUTH HARLAN STREET
LAKEWOOD, CO 80226
(303) 233 - 6776

DATE:

SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH

60 TEAMS

120 COACHES

50 VOLUNTEERS

200 FAMILY MEMBERS

COMPETITIONS INCLUDE:

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM PLAY
UNIFIED SPORTS® TEAM PLAY
INDIVIDUAL SKILLS COMPETITION

SPECIAL EVENTS INCLUDE:

OPENING CEREMONIES

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL

JENNY CHASE – COMPETITION MANAGER @ 720 - 359 - 3122

KADY MOORE – VOLUNTEERS & FAMILY MANAGER @ 720 - 359 - 3103



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PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED:

**INTENT TO PARTICIPATE FORM
PRE-EVENT INFORMATION
HOUSING INFORMATION SHEET
ENTRY COVER SHEET
TEAM ENTRY FORM
EVENT CODES**



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2012 BASKETBALL INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

Please complete this form (one per team) and **return to
Jenny Chase, Competition Manager
by 10am on Friday, January 27th.**

jc@specialolympisco.org or fax: **303.592.1364**

If you have any questions, please contact the SOCO Program Department at (800) 777-5767.

Thank you for your cooperation.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Please Print or Type):

Team Name: _____

Head Coaches' Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Sport(s): _____ Area: _____

MY TEAM INTENDS ON PARTICIPATING IN THE 2012 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT:

Yes No

If yes, how many teams and skills athletes do you have: _____ Teams _____ Skills Participants

Team LEVEL: I II III IV

(we will do our best to accommodate your team, however these numbers are not guaranteed)

HOUSING SUMMARY:

My team is planning on paying for housing at Best Western Friday Saturday

My team is planning on paying for housing but not at Best Western Friday Saturday

Location of team housing: _____



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2012 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT PRE-EVENT INFORMATION

- EVENT REGISTRATION:** All SOCO Basketball Tournament registration information is due to your Area Manager by **10 AM, WEDNESDAY, FEB 29TH**. Information required includes:
- SOCO Cover Sheet (enclosed)
 - SOCO Individual Entry Form (enclosed)
 - SOCO Team Entry Form (enclosed)
- DATE:** **SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH**
- VENUE:** **GOLD CROWN FIELD HOUSE
150 S. HARLAN STREET, LAKEWOOD, CO 80226**
- Special Olympics Team Competition
 - Special Olympics Unified Sports® Team Competition
 - Skills Competition
- LODGING:** Special Olympics Colorado will reserve a block of rooms at the Best Western Denver in Lakewood.
- Lodging costs are the responsibility of each individual team/local program and are not paid for by Special Olympics Colorado.
- Lodging block will be set-up at the:
Best Western Denver Southwest in Lakewood
3440 South Vance Street, Lakewood, CO 80227
(800) 707-5188
- *Other hotels may be used based on team preference.
- MEALS:** SOCO will not be providing meals during the tournament. We encourage you to either bring your own food or patronize one of the eating establishments in Lakewood **AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE**.
- CONCESSIONS:** Gold Crown Field House operates their own concession stand and it will be open for business during our tournament.
- TRANSPORTATION:** Transportation to the Basketball Tournament is the responsibility of the team and/or local program.
- RULES:** Rules governing the 2012 SOCO Basketball Tournament include the Special Olympics Inc. Summer Sports rules and National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). You can access the Special Olympics rules through the Special Olympics Incorporated (SOI) website:
www.specialolympics.org
- From the SOI homepage click on the "find it fast" icon located in the upper right hand corner – then select coaching guides.

ADVANCEMENT:

Only those athletes and Unified Sports® partners that compete at the area level are eligible for advancement on to the state level.

COMPETITION:

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM COMPETITION

- Team rosters shall not exceed 10 players.
- Each team shall have an adult, non-playing coach who is responsible for the line-up and conduct of the team.
- All players must have appropriate uniforms and footwear in order to participate.
- Wheelchairs and/or Walkers are NOT allowed unless the entire team is made up of wheelchair athletes - to compete in the tournament there must be at least one other wheelchair team.
- All Special Olympics athletes and coaches must have registrations on file with the state office to participate in this or any other Special Olympics competition. Coaches must have a **Class A** Volunteer form that has gone through the background check process as well as taken the Protective Behaviors training on-line. Additionally, all athletes must have an **Application for Participation** (medical) that has been signed by a doctor on file with SOCO before they can participate in any Special Olympics activity.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS UNIFIED SPORTS® TEAM COMPETITION

- Team rosters shall not exceed 10 players.
- Each team shall have an adult, non-playing coach who is responsible for the line-up and conduct of the team.
- All players must have appropriate uniforms and footwear in order to participate.
- The rosters shall contain a proportionate number of Athletes and Unified Sports® Partners.
- During competition, the line-up shall **NEVER** exceed or fall below 3 Athletes and 2 Unified Sports® Partners
- Wheelchairs and/or walkers are NOT allowed unless the entire team is made up of wheelchair athletes - to compete in the tournament there must be at least one other wheelchair team.
- All Special Olympics athletes and coaches must have registrations on file with the state office to participate in this or any other Special Olympics competition. Coaches must have a **Class A** Volunteer form that has gone through the background check process as well as taken the Protective Behaviors training on-line. Additionally, all athletes must have an **Application for Participation** (medical) that has been signed by a doctor on file with SOCO before they can participate in any Special Olympics activity.

OPENING CEREMONIES:

Opening Ceremonies will take place at 8:00 am in the Gold Crown Field House.

**VOLUNTEER &
FAMILY INFORMATION:**

We invite any family and friends who may be traveling with your team to volunteer for the SOCO Basketball Tournament. If anyone is interested, please have them contact Kady Moore, SOCO Volunteer and Families Manager at 720-359-3103.

**TOBACCO &
POLICY:**

The SOCO Basketball Tournament is a tobacco and alcohol free **ALCOHOL** event. No smoking or consumption of alcoholic beverages

will be permitted at the Basketball Tournament by athletes, Unified Sports® partners and/or coaches.

MEDICAL:

Medical support will be provided at the Basketball Tournament Venue, and Opening Ceremonies.

Coaches' are REQUIRED to carry copies of their athletes' medical forms with them at all times. If you need a copy of a medical please contact your Area Manager.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A second coaches packet will be sent to the address listed on the entry cover sheet Monday, March 5th. This mailing will confirm registration and playing times.

For more information on the Basketball Tournament, Contact Jenny Chase at 720-359-3122.

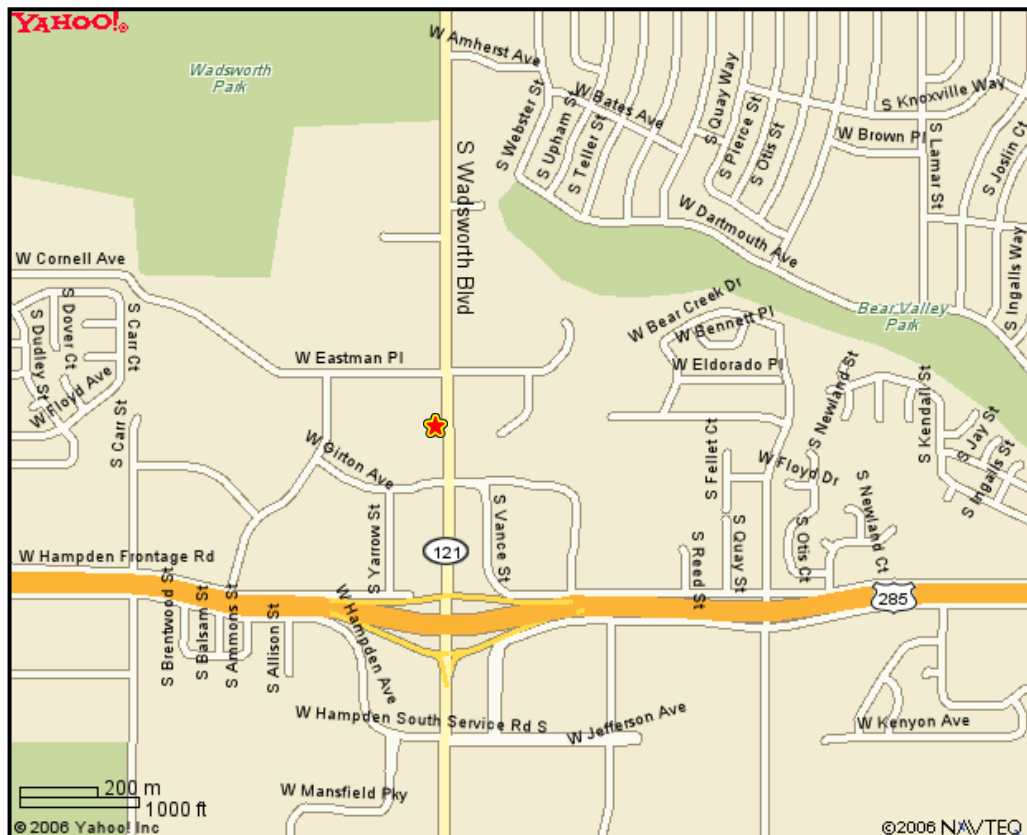
For more information on Volunteers and Families, Contact Kady Moore at 720-359-3103.



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**2012 STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
HOUSING INFORMATION**

BEST WESTERN DENVER SOUTHWEST
3440 SOUTH VANCE STREET
LAKEWOOD, CO 80227
(303) 989 – 5500



TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION:

- CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY AND ASK FOR KELLY WEGER OR ALICE TRUJILLO.
- TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS COLORADO.
- PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION READY:

TEAM NAME

NUMBER OF ROOMS NEEDED

NAMES OF ATHLETES, PARTNERS AND CHAPERONES

- RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY FEBRUARY 18TH, 2011. AFTER THAT DAY, THE BLOCK WILL BE RELEASED BACK INTO GENERAL INVENTORY.
- PLEASE NOTE THE HOTELS CANCELLATION POLICY WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATION AS SPECIAL OLYMPICS COLORADO WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CHARGES.



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2012 STATE BASKETBALL ENTRY COVER SHEET

Please complete this form (one per team) and **return with the SOCO Entry Roster to your Area Manager by 10am on Wednesday, February 29th.**

All event information will be mailed directly to the **address listed below.**

If you have any questions, please contact the SOCO Program Department at (800) 777-5767.

Thank you for your cooperation.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Please Print or Type):

Team Name: _____

Head Coaches' Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

If email address is listed, all future correspondence will be via email. If you prefer to receive by mail, please fill out address information below:

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Area: _____ Sport: _____

INFORMATION RETURNED INCLUDES:

- SOCO Cover Sheet
 SOCO Entry Roster
 Individual skills Team

HOUSING SUMMARY:

My team is planning on paying for housing at Best Western Friday Saturday

TEAM SUMMARY:

Total Athletes: _____ Females: _____ Males: _____
(including Unified Sports® partners)
Total Coaching Staff: _____ Females: _____ Males: _____

Teams exceeding the 1 to 4 ratio must first acquire approval from their Area Manager.

INCOMPLETE INFORMATION/FORMS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE AND WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE AND MAY RESULT IN YOUR DELEGATION BEING SCRATCHED FROM THE COMPETITION.



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TEAM ENTRY FORM

Team Name: _____

Coaches' Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____ (Day) _____ (Night)

Title & Date of Competition: _____ 2012 State Basketball Tournament

Team: Special Olympics Team or Unified Sports™ Team

Age Group: 15 and Under 16 - 21 22 and Up

Recommended Playing Division ("I" being the highest skilled):

I II III IV

TEAM ROSTER INFORMATION

- Each team shall have a non-playing coach, whose name is listed above, that is responsible for the line-up and conduct of the team during competition.
- Refer to the *Official Special Olympics Sports Rules* or the *Event Codes* for roster and registration requirements.
- Unified Sports™ Team rosters shall contain a proportionate number of Special Olympics Athletes and Unified Sports™ Partners.
- Teams will be divisioned by their season game results, competition evaluation and Area Managers recommendations.
- Teams will advance to the State Games through competing in at least one area competition.
- Only those athletes and partners whose names appear on this roster may compete at the competition. An athlete or partner may only appear on one roster.

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Eligible</u>
Basketball	10
Floor Hockey	15
Soccer	10
Softball	15
Volleyball	12

- No significant changes (i.e. greater than 20%) will be permitted on rosters when advancing from Area to State competitions.

Coaches' Signature _____
(Must complete roster on reverse side.)

TEAM NAME: _____

	ATHLETE NAMES	DOB	A or P <i>(Athlete or Partner)</i>	SEX
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____	_____	_____
9.	_____	_____	_____	_____
10.	_____	_____	_____	_____

1. _____ 2. _____
(ASSISTANT COACHES/ CHAPERONES)

INDIVIDUAL SKILLS PLAYERS:

	ATHLETE NAMES	DOB
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____

2012 WINTER SPORTS SEASON EVENT CODES AND REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

* BASKETBALL *

CODE	EVENT
BBINSC	Individual Skills Competition **
BBTEAM	Special Olympics Team Competition
BBUNIF	Unified Sports® Team Competition
<i>Motor Activities Training Program/MATP (non-competitive demonstration events):</i>	
BBSHOT	Shooting **
BBPASS	Passing **
BBDRIB	Dribbling **

Registration Guidelines

- Events identified with ** are intended for athletes unable to participate in the other events listed.
- Athletes may enter one event; except for those in MATP competition, they may register in all three events which include:
 - * **Shooting** - Athlete attempts to shoot or push a modified ball into a basket.
 - * **Passing** - Athlete attempts to throw or push a modified ball to a partner.
 - * **Dribbling** - Athlete attempts to dribble a modified ball, with assistance if needed.
- All entries must be identified with a team name.
- Each team shall have a non-playing coach responsible for the line-up and conduct of team during competition.
- Team rosters may have a minimum of five players and a **maximum of ten players**.
- Unified Sports® teams shall consist of a proportionate number of Special Olympics athletes and Unified Sports® partners (non-disabled peers). In Basketball, that means 3 athletes and 2 partners must be on the court at all times.
- **During competition, the line-up shall never exceed three Special Olympics athletes and two Unified Sports® partners at any time. Failure to adhere to the required ratio results in a forfeit.**
- The age of the oldest team member will determine the teams grouping for both Special Olympics and Unified Sports® teams.
- Wheelchairs and/or walkers are NOT allowed unless the entire team is made up of wheelchair athletes - to compete in the tournament there must be at least one other wheelchair team. This rule is in place for the safety of all non-wheelchair participants.
- All Individual competitors, Individual Skills competitors, Special Olympics teams and Unified Sports® teams must participate in an Area event to be eligible for advancement to the State tournament.
- Competition attire includes:
 - * Court shoes (shoes that will not mark the gym floor)
 - * Jersey/Tank top (w/ appropriate numbering)
 - * Shorts or sweatpants
- Athletes not in appropriate competition attire are subject to disqualification.
- Rules governing competition include Special Olympics, Inc. Basketball rules and the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS).